(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of cases pending with various Lok Ayuktas in each State and UT;

(d) the number of cases disposed off so far;

(e) whether there is inadequate staff in various Lok Ayuktas;

(f) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(g) the steps being taken by Government to overcome such problems?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI SURESH PACHOURI) (a) to (g) The subject is the concern of the State governments. Government of India has issued no guidelines in this regard.

Indefinite strike by Government employees

†1069. SHRI MOTILAL VORA:
SHRIMATI VANGA GEETHA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Central Government employees have declared to go on an indefinite strike from 1st March, 2006;

(b) if so, the demands made by them and Government's viewpoint thereon;

(c) since when these demands of Central Government employees are pending; and

(d) by when a final decision would be taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI SURESH PACHOURI) (a) The Central Government employees have decided to defer their decision to go on the strike after discussing their demands with Government on 15.02.2006.

(b) to (d) A statement on 20-Point Charter of Demands which was submitted by the Staff Side on 12.12.2005, is enclosed (*See* below). These demands have been discussed with Staff Side and action has been initiated in accordance with the provisions of the JCM Scheme.

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

Statement

20-Points Charter of Demands of Staff Side

1. Constitution of 6th CPC and grant of interim relief.
2. Merge 50% DA with Basic Pay w.e.f. 1.7.2002 instead of 1.4.2004.
3. Implement the pending Arbitration Awards on HRA, Pay scales of Accounts Staff, Night Duty Allowance, OTA & Transport Allowance etc.
4. Withdraw downsizing scheme, stop surrendering of posts, outsourcing activities, lift ban on recruitment and fill all vacancies.
5. Withdraw the new Contributory Pension Scheme.
6. Implement the agreement (signed on 11th September, 1997) for rectification of 5th CPC anomalies and remove the hurdles in processing them before the arbitrator.
7. (a) Grant 50% merger of DA to Gramin Dak Sewaks and provide social security benefit.

   (b) Increase the allowances including the Hourly Rate of Incentive Bonus to Workshop Staff and Special Compensatory (Hill), Allowances etc. consequent on merger of 50% Dearness Allowance with Basic Pay.
8. Grant accumulation and encashment of 300 days' EL for Defence and other industrial workers.
9. Increase interest on GPF.
10. Remove the ceiling of 5% quota in respect of compassionate ground appointment.
11. Ensure regular functioning of JCM fora at all levels as per the JCM scheme.
12. Implement the CAT decision on restructuring of the Central Secretariat cadre.
13. Implement the agreement of 11th September, 1997 and grant the pay scale of Rs. 5,000-8,000 to the Master Craftsman of the Defence Establishment.
14. Count the Casual Labour (temporary status) service in full for all purposes including pension and other retirement benefits.

15. Create additional posts for maintenance of the new assets created and the new services introduced without imposing any restrictions.

16. (a) Scrap the report of the Running Allowances Committee-2002.

    (b) Reject Kelkar Committee recommendations on Ordance Factories etc.

17. Review HOER, Reduce Duty Hours of Running Staff and other safety categories staff in Railways.

18. Grant Cadre Re-structuring and Up-gradation of left out categories in Railways.

19. Remove discrimination amongst the Central Government employees working in the N.E. Region by granting Special Duty Allowance to all Group 'C' & 'D' employees.

20. Improve Career opportunities of Group 'D' employees in Railways and in other Ministries.

Curtailment in Reservation Policy

1070. SHRI AMAR SINGH:

SHRI ABU ASIM AZMI:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to curtail the reservation policy upto the entry level in jobs under the Government; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and by when it is likely to be enforced?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI SURESH PACHOURI) (a) No, sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Funds transferred from Lugano

1071. SHRI AMAR SINGH:
SHRI ABU ASIM AZMI:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the C.B.I. had sent Letters Rogatory to the Swiss